Procurement on Diamond Roughs by MMTC

1072. DR. BAPU KALDATE:

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the MMTC has been procuring diamond roughs from primary producting countries;

(b) whether these are distributed to exports;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether the M.M.T.C. has a list of appraisers on its record;

(e) whether it is a fact that these appraisers have been collecting huge amounts from exporters; and

(f) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (d) MMTC has been procuring diamond roughs from primary sources. Diamonds procured by MMTC, including those from primary sources, are placed on sale in its diamond division in Bombay and sold to licence holders at market prices as is being done by a large number of other private companies in diamond business. It does not have a list of appraisers on its record. However, it has in its employment senior assorters.

(e) and (f) No, Sir.

Woollen Carpet Industry in U.P.

1073. SHRI RAM AWADESH SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that handmade woollen carpet industry is crippled in Uttar Pradesh and elesewhere due to high import duties and due to fall in wool production; and

(b) if so, what corrective steps Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Transfer of Employees of Delhi Branch of State Bank of Indore

1074. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that State Bank of Indore has been served notice by the Assistant Labour Commissioner (C), New Delhi regarding transfer of some employees of the Delhi Branch; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons not carrying out the orders of the said Assistant Labour Commissioner, New Delhi and by when these are going to be complied with?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) No such notice has been served by the Assistant Labour Commissioner (C), Delhi to the State Bank of Indore.

(b) Does not airse.

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1075. SHRI VITHALBHAI MOTIRAM PATEL:

SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mr. Nusli Wadia, Chairman, Bombay Dyeing is a British citizen holding British passport;